

# News Summary and Index

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## The Major Events of the Day

### International

Civil guards fired on a crowd of about 2,000 Basque demonstrators in Algorta, a suburb of Bilbao in northern Spain. They wounded at least six people. The clash was the first serious incident following the execution on Saturday of five terrorists convicted of killing policemen and civil guards. Two were members of E.T.A., the Basque nationalist organization. Tension increased with the call by Basque and leftist groups for a general strike today and tomorrow to protest the executions. [Page 1, Cols. 1-2.]

With voters apparently expressing uneasiness over the country's economic problems, West Germany's leading political party suffered a major setback in a state election. The Social Democratic party barely held its majority in the Bremen state legislature, receiving 49 per cent of the vote, down 6 percentage points from the election four years ago. The Christian Democrats, the Social Democrat's principal opposition, had a gain of only 1 1/2 percentage points over 1971, getting 33 per cent of the vote. [1:4.]

As the North Atlantic Treaty allies move toward a new generation of weapons, a policy dispute is developing over whether the United States, which has dominated the arms business, will now start buying more European equipment for its forces. This has been the major issue in discussions between European officials and Defense Secretary James R. Schlesinger, who went to Europe to urge the European nations to increase their defense spending. The Europeans are demanding "standardization," under which the NATO allies would abandon their nationalistic approach and agree upon similar weapons for their forces. This way, they believe, the United States would purchase more weapons from its allies. [1:3.]

The eradication of smallpox is expected in the near future by officials of the World Health Organization. They believe that the battle against the disease will end early next year, if not sooner. Two years of further searching for new cases will be necessary before an international commission will be able to declare officially that smallpox has been wiped out. The W.H.O. says it knows of only 16 people in the world infected with the most devastating kind of smallpox, a viral disease, and all are quarantined in Bangladesh. [1:1-5.]

### National

This country might not be warned in advance of a surprise attack because United States security agencies have become, such unwieldy bureaucracies, the chairman of the House Select Committee on Intelligence said in an interview. Representative Otis G. Pike, a Suffolk County Democrat, praised the men who gather intelligence, but said that "above the gathering level" the intelligence system "just bogs down every single time." After Mr. Pike's television appearance, William E. Cobby, Director of Central Intelligence, issued a rebuttal. [1:8.]

The Federal Election Commission has issued a ruling that strengthens the political arm of Associated Milk Producers, Inc., a dairy cooperative with 35,000 members, which in 1974 pleaded guilty to making illegal corporate campaign contributions. In the 1968, 1970 and 1972 election campaigns, the commission authorized a political committee of the milk producers to spend unlimited amounts of money for "nonpartisan" registration and get-out-the-vote drives, even though the milk producers had confined their drives to districts heavily in favor of candidates backed by them. [1:5.]

### Metropolitan

A State Insurance Department investigation has found that a teamsters local here in 1971 and 1972 paid \$1.6-million for union members' life insurance that should have cost only \$525,000 and that \$1-million in commissions from the transaction has vanished. No criminal charges have been made, and the State Insurance Department has thus far focused its efforts on learning how it happened and recovering the excess money paid out of the life-insurance and severance-pay fund of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 295, whose members work at Kennedy International Airport. The department's evidence has been turned over to Federal prosecutors and District Attorneys here. [1:4-6.]

Business and cultural groups increased their pressure to bring an end to the musician's strike that has closed 11 Broadway shows, and Mayor Beame was said to be ready to summon both sides, which were conducting intensive negotiations, to Gracie Mansion if they believed he could help break the deadlock. [4:1-3.]

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## Quotation of the Day

"If an attack were to be launched on America in the very near future, it is my belief that America would not know that the attack was about to be launched."  
—Representative Otis G. Pike, chairman of the House Select Committee on Intelligence, assessing the nation's security agencies. [1:8.]

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## CORRECTION

An article in The New York Times on Sept. 19 should have named Barry Bass as the source of a statement declaring that Eugene R. Kelley, the Suffolk County Police Commissioner, was present at a lie detector interrogation of Mr. Bass. The Commissioner has denied that he participated in that interrogation.